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#### Dear Sir:

We note that we have not received reply to our letter which was sent dated January 15, 2008 regarding the entry of the above referenced application into the USPTO database.

As discussed above, and as you can see from the copies of the documents which were submitted previously and are enclosed herewith for your reference, the application was assigned serial no. 10/598,687 at the time of filing but it appears it has not been entered into the official record.

We note that we have discussed this situation with the USPTO on at least 2 occasions and have been led to believe that the situation is being taken care of but have still not been able to access the application data through the PAIR system.

In the event that additional documents or evidence or statements are required in order to have the application file completed and properly entered into the USPTO database, we respectfully request that you contact the undersigned at your earliest convenience so that we can take steps to ensure that this application is put back on track.

Respectfully Submitted,

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#### Dear Sirs:

We enclose the following documents:

- 1. a copy of our on line filing form indicating the serial number, filing date and fees paid
- 2. a copy of the signed declaration by the inventor.

Specifically, we note that as you can see from the electronic filing document that the USPTO received our submission at 16:17:31 Eastern time on September 7, 2006 and charged to our deposit account 010310.

Furthermore, the application was assigned the EFS ID 1190300 and assigned the application 10/568,667.

Specifically, this application was a national phase application of PCT CA2005/00358.

We note that we have made several inquiries regarding the filing certificate for the above referenced application and have also attempted to access it through the secure PAIR site.

On at least one occasion, we were told by a clerk at the USPTO that the problem was "on the USPTO's end" and that they would take care of it but if they required anything further they would contact us in the next few days.

Consequently, we were surprised when we contacted Mr. Mike Zouely on January 2, 2008 and he stated that the above application did not appear to be in the system.

As you can see from the enclosed documentation, the application was submitted electronically and was accepted by the USPTO. We therefore ask that it be confirmed that the application has been entered into the USPTO system and accordingly we ask a copy of the filing certificate be forwarded to us as quickly as possible so that we may forward same to the inventor.

Respectfully submitted

John Walmsley

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declaration.pdf	3	Documents submitted with 371 Applications	59847 bytes	◆ PASS
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